NUSSBAUM SAMUEL R MD

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** NUSSBAUM SAMUEL R MD			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WELLPOINT INC [WLP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) (First) (N		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
120 MONUMENT CIRCLE		Æ	(Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2009	Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) Other (specify below) EVP & Chief Medical Officer		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			Securities Form: Beneficially (D) or Owned Indire	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	or Beneficial Ownership	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/02/2009		F(1)	1,582	D	\$ 30.1	64,476	D	
Common Stock	03/02/2009		A	22,149 (2)	A	\$ 0	86,625	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration D	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 30.1	03/02/2009		A	92,285	(3)	03/02/2016	Common Stock	92,285	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
NUSSBAUM SAMUEL R MD 120 MONUMENT CIRCLE INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204			EVP & Chief Medical Officer				

Signatures

Kathleen S. Kiefer, Attorney-in-fact

03/04/2009 Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Payment of tax liability by withholding stock incident to the vesting of previously granted restricted stock.
- (2) Represents restricted share units. Restrictions lapse on 7,383 shares each on 3/2/10, 3/2/11 and 3/2/12.
- (3) Exercisable in one installment of 15,380 on 9/2/09, and five installments of 15,381 each on 3/2/10, 9/2/10, 3/2/11, 9/2/11 and 3/2/12.

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